

UNCLASSIFIED

53-51

Action  
ARAControl: 17927  
Rec'd: OCTOBER 24, 1962  
8:10 PM

Info

FROM: MEXICO CITY

SS

TO: Secretary of State

G

SF

NO: 1362, OCTOBER 24

L

SAL

EUR

IO

P

USIA

NSC

INR

CIA

NSA

OSD

ARMY

NAVY

AIR

RMR

ACTION DEPARTMENT 1362, INFORMATION CINCARIB UNNUMBERED

PRESIDENT LOPEZ MATEOS ARRIVED 1:00 P.M. OCTOBER 24 AND  
ADDRESSED NATION FROM PALACE BALCONY FORTY-MINUTES LATER.  
FIRST PORTION OF TEN-MINUTE SPEECH WAS A REPORT ON HIS TRIP.  
HE EMPHASIZED THAT IN ALL HIS PUBLIC UTTERANCES HE HAD SPOKEN  
OF PEACE AND NEED TO PRESERVE IT.

WITH REFERENCE TO WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS "GRAVE CRISIS  
IN CARIBBEAN" LOPEZ MATEOS SAID THAT ANY AGGRAVATION OF THE  
SITUATION WOULD HAVE DISASTROUS RESULTS FOR ALL HUMANITY,  
AND PLEDGED MEXICO WOULD SEEK TO PRESERVE PEACE. HE SAID  
MEXICO WOULD BE FAITHFUL TO ITS COMMITMENTS, AND THAT AS  
MEMBER OF THE OAS AND UN IT WOULD SEEK TO WORK THROUGH  
THOSE BODIES FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO PRESENT CRISIS.  
HE CONCLUDED BY SAYING MEXICO WAS ON THE SIDE OF DEMOCRACY AND  
WILL STRIVE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM.

MANN

COT

UNCLASSIFIED

REPRODUCTION FROM THIS COPY IS  
PROHIBITED UNLESS "UNCLASSIFIED"